

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listings of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An absorbent article structured by integrally forming comprising:

at least a liquid permeable top sheet,

an absorbent,

a water vapor permeable waterproof sheet, and

a liquid impermeable back sheet, in this order, characterized in that a water content indicator is provided on an inner surface of the water vapor permeable waterproof sheet, the water content indicator being constituted by a hydrophilic resin coating layer and an information mark provided on an inner surface of the hydrophilic resin coating layer.

a hydrophilic resin coating layer disposed between the absorbent and the water vapor permeable waterproof sheet, and

information mark layer disposed between the hydrophilic resin coating layer and the absorbent.

2. (Currently amended) An The absorbent article as set forth in claim 1, characterized in that the water vapor permeable waterproof sheet is constituted by a sheet material in which a water vapor permeability on the basis of JIS Z-0208 method of test is 7000 g/m²/24h or more.

3. (Currently amended) An The absorbent article as set forth in claim 1, characterized in that the hydrophilic resin coating layer constituting the water content indicator and the information mark are formed in approximately same shape. wherein the length and/or width of the hydrophilic resin coating layer is greater than the length and/or width of the information mark layer and wherein the information mark layer and the hydrophilic resin coating layer have a thickness of about 1μm to about 20μm.

4. (Currently amended) An The absorbent article as set forth in claim 1, characterized in that a print surface by a general ink further comprising an ink layer is provided at a position corresponding to the information mark disposed between the water vapor permeable waterproof sheet and the hydrophilic resin coating layer, wherein the ink layer is resistant to discoloration when exposed to water.

5. (New) The absorbent article as set forth in claim 1, wherein in the hydrophilic resin coating layer comprises an ultraviolet absorbents, ultraviolet scattering agent, light stabilizer or antioxidant.